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ASBURY PARK CONFERENCE

June 26-July 1 PROGRAM

GENERAL SESSIONS

First Session, Monday, June 26, 8 P. M.

Greetings from M. Taylor Pyne, chairman New Jersey Public Library Commission.

President's address: Mary Wright Plummer, principal New York Public Library School.

Second Session, Tuesday, June 27, 10 A. M. Business, reports, etc.

How the community educates itself—Arthur Elmore Bostwick, librarian St. Louis Public Library.

Leadership through learning — William Warner Bishop, librarian University of Michigan.

Children's reading—John Jay Chapman, New York. Democracy in modern fiction—Mary Ogden White, Summit, N. J.

Third Session, Thursday, June 29, 10 A. M. Business, reports, etc.

Modern drama as an expression of democracy—Robert Gilbert Welsh, dramatic critic "New York Telegram."

The new poetry and democracy—Jessie B. Rittenhouse, New York.

Some of the people we work for—John Foster Carr, director Immigration Publication Society, New York.

Fourth Session, Friday, June 30, 8:15 P. M. Symposium: The American public as seen from the circulation desk—Edith Tobitt (Omaha), Louise Prouty (Cleveland), Catherine Van Dyne (Newark), Paul M. Paine (Syracuse).

Establishing libraries under difficulties—Mabel Wilkinson, Greeley, Colo.

Times past (illustrated by slides)—Frederick W. Faxon, Boston.

Fifth Session, Saturday, July 1, 10 A. M. Business, reports, etc.

The public library as affected by municipal retrenchment—Frederick C. Hicks, law librarian Columbia University, New York.

How Ontario manages her free libraries— E. A. Hardy, secretary Ontario Library Association.

The larger publicity—J. L. Wheeler, librarian Reuben McMillan Free Library, Youngstown, Ohio.

Analysis of library legislation—W. H. Brett, librarian Cleveland Public Library. Unfinished business; report of resolutions committee; report of tellers of election; adjournment.

COUNCIL

First Meeting, Wednesday, June 28, 10:30 A. M.

(Executive meeting)

Report on fire insurance rates, by Matthew L. Dudgeon. Discussion.

Libraries' relation with book publishers and dealers, by William H. Brett. Discussion.

Letter from L'Alliance pour l'Education Sociale et Civique, read by Secretary. Discussion and appointment of committee.

Second Meeting, Friday, June 30, 11 A. M. (Open meeting)

Question-box on heating, lighting and ventilation, by Samuel H. Ranck.

The library's part in the Americanization of the immigrant.

- (a) The immigrant, the school and the library—Dr. Albert Shiels, New York Board of Education.
- (b) Translation of American books for the immigrant—Dr. H. H. Wheaton, United States Bureau of Education.
- (c) Foreign books and periodicals for the immigrant—J. Maud Campbell,

- Massachusetts Free Library Commission.
- (d) Discussion led by John Foster Carr. (Suggestion that A. L. A. act as clearing house of work done for foreigners in libraries, in order that other societies working with foreigners may know definitely what is being done.)

Discussion of suggestion and appointment of committee.

AGRICULTURAL LIBRARIES SECTION

Session: Wednesday Morning, June 28
Some opportunities in agricultural library
work—Mrs. Ida A. Kidder, librarian Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis.

Union checklist of serials in agricultural libraries—Charles R. Green, librarian Massachusetts Agricultural College, Amherst.

Agricultural libraries as special libraries—
John A. Lapp, editor "Special Libraries."
Agricultural index — H. W. Wilson, publisher.

Reports of committees.

Chairman, M. G. Wyer, University of Nebraska.

CATALOG SECTION

There will be two sessions; the first on Tuesday evening, June 27, and the second on Friday afternoon, June 30. The following program is tentative.

First Session

Appointment of committees.

Problems discovered in cataloging the Library of the School of Mines at Rolla, Mo.—Jesse Cunningham, St. Joseph, Mo., Public Library.

Inspiration through cataloging—J. Christian Bay, John Crerar Library. Discussion led by Agnes Van Valkenburgh, New York Public Library School.

Maps (arrangements for this topic not complete).

Alphabetical arrangement in the card catalog—C. H. Hastings, Library of Congress.

Discussion led by Margaret Mann, Carnegie Library, Pittsburgh.

Second Session

Reports of committees; election of officers.

The cataloging test: results and outlook—
Aksel G. S. Josephson, John Crerar
Library.

Classification: discussion of the report to the Council.

Chairman, Sula Wagner, St. Louis Public Library; secretary, Charlotte H. Foye, John Crerar Library.

CHILDREN'S LIBRARIANS SECTION

There will be two sessions; the first on Wednesday evening, June 28, and the second on Friday afternoon, June 30. The program will concern itself with two themes:

- (1) Critical comments on library work with children—J. C. Dana, Henry E. Legler, R. R. Bowker, Miss Marie Shedlock, and A. E. Bostwick. Papers will be printed and distributed before the meeting so that time at the meeting may be used for discussion.
- (2) Social work and children's libraries (speakers to be announced).

Chairman, Gertrude E. Andrus, Seattle Public Library; secretary, Jessie Sibley. New York Public Library.

COLLEGE AND REFERENCE SECTION

Session: Wednesday afternoon, June 28. General subject: Research facilities in American libraries, present status, new projects, future needs.

Two papers will be presented:

Possible results of the European war on the European book market—Dr. Walter Lichtenstein, librarian Northwestern University.

Library preparedness in the fields of economics and sociology — Adelaide R. Hasse, chief of documents division, New York Public Library.

These papers will be followed by an informal discussion in which the subject of "library preparedness" in other fields, science, technology, etc., will be treated by representatives of some of the large university and reference libraries.

Business meeting: Reports of committees, election of officers, etc.

Chairman, W. M. Hepburn, Purdue University.

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING SECTION

Session: Tuesday afternoon, June 27.

Minutes of former meeting and appointment of committees.

Subject for consideration: Comparison of the curricula of library schools and public library training classes.

Points of similarity between the two types of courses—Mrs. Harriet P. Sawyer, chief of the instructional department, St. Louis Public Library.

Points of difference between the two types of courses—Julia A. Hopkins, principal of the training class, Brooklyn Public Library.

Discussion opened by Frank K. Walter, vice-director New York State Library School, continued by Carl B. Roden, assistant librarian Chicago Public Library, and Prof. A. S. Root, librarian Oberlin College. After the three formal discussions the subject will be open for general discussion from the house.

Reports from the different library schools of any new phase of work recently undertaken or planned for the immediate future.

Report of work of the A. L. A. Committee on library training, A. S. Root, chairman. Reports of committees, and adjournment.

Chairman, Frances Simpson, University of Illinois Library School; secretary, Julia A. Hopkins, Brooklyn Public Library.

SCHOOL LIBRARIES SECTION

First Session, Thursday Evening, June 29
Topic: The national campaign for better school libraries.

The importance of the school library in modern education—James Fleming Hosic, Chicago Normal College.

The school library situation in the south— Lucy E. Fay, University of Tennessee.

Symposium: How can we further the school library movement?

- What the college and university can do—Azariah S. Root, Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio.
- How the public library can help in developing effective high school libraries—Henry E. Legler, Chicago Public Library.

- What the public library can do for grade and rural school libraries—Effie L. Power, Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh; Orpha Maud Peters, Public Library, Gary, Ind.
- What a department of education can do for the school libraries of a city— Claude G. Leland, superintendent of school libraries, New York City.

Second Session, Saturday Afternoon, July 1
Business meeting; election of officers; reports of committees.

Round table conference on normal and elementary school libraries; conducted by Nancy I. Thompson, State Normal School, Newark, N. J.

Round table conference of high school librarians; conducted by Mary E. Hall, Girls' High School, Brooklyn.

There will be an exhibit of normal and high school library work, photographs of rooms, plans, outlines of instruction, reading lists, illustrative material, etc.

Chairman, Mary E. Hall, Girls' High School, Brooklyn, secretary; Alice A. Blanchard, Newark Free Public Library.

TRUSTEES' SECTION

A session will be held on Tuesday afternoon, June 27.

It is expected that a number of the trustees of the eastern libraries will be present and take part. Many matters of interest to trustees will be discussed.

Hon. David A. Boody, president of the board of the Brooklyn Public Library, and R. R. Bowker, and Theodore L. Frothingham, trustees of the same library, will be present. The latter is expected to speak upon the question of "Salaries of library assistants." Mrs. Elizabeth Claypool Earl, president of the Indiana Public Library Commission, will discuss "The trustees' obligation to the state," and incidentally tell what the Indiana trustees are doing. Librarians are earnestly requested to bring this meeting to the attention of their trustees and urge them to attend. There ought to be a large attendance, especially of eastern trustees.

Chairman, W. T. Porter, Cincinnati; sec-

retary, T. L. Montgomery, Pennsylvania State Library, Harrisburg.

GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS ROUND TABLE

The usual round table will be conducted on Friday morning, June 30. Program is in charge of George S. Godard, of the Connecticut State Library, chairman of the Committee on public documents.

THEOLOGICAL LIBRARIES ROUND TABLE

The librarians of some eighteen or twenty theological seminaries have recently been in correspondence with each other regarding a round table at the Asbury Park conference on their specialized work, and it is now expected that such a meeting will be held on Friday morning, June 30. The program is not yet arranged, but among the topics suggested are the following:

Theological library classification.

Specialization in denominational periodicals.

Co-operative indexing of important theological material not now indexed.

A "General Theological Library" in the

Relation of the theological library to the general library in universities.

Frank G. Lewis, librarian Crozer Theological Seminary, Chester, Pa., is taking the lead in arranging for this round table and will be glad to hear from any who are interested with whom he is not yet in touch.

LEAGUE OF LIBRARY COMMISSIONS Wednesday Afternoon, June 28

Book wagon delivery—A. L. Bailey, Wilmington, Del.

Conducting library institutes—Asa Wynkoop, Albany, N. Y.

The value of the organization of library trustees—Mrs. Elizabeth Claypool Earl, Connersville, Ind.

Round table: Library and school coöperation. Leader: Mary E. Downey, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Friday Afternoon, June 30

Field work of the North Dakota Library Commission as outlined by the Educational Survey—Mrs. Minnie C. Budlong, Bismarck, N. D.

Round table: Traveling library problems
—Leader: Anna A. MacDonald, Harrisburg, Pa.

Discussion:

- Is it possible for library commissions to give all around library service through traveling library centers?
 - a. Character of the collection.
 - b. How to make up the libraries.
 - c. Making the station a success.
 - d. Giving definite library help.
 - 1. Through special collections.
- 2. Through general reference calls. Business meeting.

President, Fannie C. Rawson, Frankfort, Ky.; secretary-treasurer, Henry N. Sanborn, Indianapolis, Ind.

SPECIAL LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION

Four sessions will be held; Wednesday, June 28, morning and evening, and Friday, June 30, morning and afternoon. The program is not yet completed, but will among others contain the following features:

Papers

Sources of information for business men— D. C. Buell, Railway Educational Bureau, Omaha, Neb.

Public Affairs Information Service—John A. Lapp, Bureau of Legislative Information, Indianapolis, Ind.

The Chicago Municipal Reference Library
—Frederick Rex, municipal reference
librarian, Chicago, Ill.

Coöperation between libraries and the engineering profession — Kenneth G. Walker, technology librarian, Free Public Library, New Haven, Conn.

Reports of Committees

Coöperation—G. W. Lee, Stone & Webster, Boston, Mass.

Classification — J. C. Bay, John Crerar Library, Chicago, Ill.

Technical indexing—W. P. Cutter, United Engineering Societies, New York City. National center for municipal information —Clinton Rogers Woodruff, National Municipal League, Philadelphia, Pa.

Clippings — Jesse Cunningham, librarian Public Library, St. Joseph, Mo.

Membership—G. W. Lee, Stone & Webster, Boston, Mass.

President, Andrew Linn Bostwick, St. Louis Public Library; secretary-treasurer, Jesse Cunningham, St. Joseph Free Public Library.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF STATE LIBRARIES AND AMERICAN ASSO-CIATION OF LAW LIBRARIES

(Joint Sessions)

Tuesday Afternoon, June 27

Address of welcome—John P. Dullard, state librarian of New Jersey.

Response—(to be announced).

Report of joint committee on official index to state legislation—George S. Godard, state librarian of Connecticut.

Address: Economic conditions of the twentieth century—Dr. Clinton Rogers Woodruff, secretary National Municipal League, Philadelphia.

Discussion led by Johnson Brigham, state librarian of Iowa.

Thursday Evening, June 29

The Library of the Bureau of Railway Economics in its inter-library relations—R. H. Johnston, librarian Bureau of Railway Economics, Washington, D. C.

Library by-products—Miss Joanna Strange, New York Public Library.

Discussion led by Miss Adelaide R. Hasse, New York Public Library.

Address—(to be announced).

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF STATE LIBRARIES

There will be joint sessions with the American Association of Law Libraries on Tuesday afternoon, June 27, and Thursday evening, June 29. For program see above. An independent session will be held Tuesday evening, June 27. Program as follows: President's address — A. J. Small, Iowa State Library.

Mobilization: a next step in the organization of a state library service—Frank M. Tolman, reference librarian New York State Library.

Report of Public Archives Committee—H.
R. McIlwaine, state librarian of Virginia.
The Archive depot, with illustrations from state, national and foreign archives—Waldo G. Leland, secretary American Historical Association, Washington, D. C.
A short business meeting for the election of officers will be held 9:30-10:00 a. m.
Thursday, June 29.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF LAW LIBRARIES

There will be two joint sessions with the National Association of State Libraries. For program and dates see above. Two independent sessions will be held, the first on Wednesday afternoon, June 28; time for second not yet arranged.

First Session

President's address—E. J. Lien, Minnesota State Library.

Reports of committees.

Problems of statutory indexing—Mrs. Agnes McNamara Munson, New York City. Instruction in legal bibliography at Columbia Law School—Frederick C. Hicks, law librarian Columbia University.

Instruction in legal bibliography at the University of Chicago Law School—Frederick W. Schenk, law librarian University of Chicago.

Second Session (Round Table)
Treatment of new phases of legal literature—Reports of public service commissions, railway commissions, etc.

Paper (to be announced)

BIBLIOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY OF AMERICA

The Bibliographical Society of America will meet on Thursday evening, June 29. The general subject of the program will be "The claims of bibliography," with addresses by Dr. W. N. C. Carlton, librarian of the Newberry Library; George Watson Cole, librarian of the Library of Henry Huntington, and H. H. B. Meyer, chief of the division of bibliography, Library of Congress.

The annual election of officers will be held at this meeting.

SCHEDULE OF SESSIONS

(This schedule is only tentative and minor changes are liable to be made.)

Monday, June 26

Afternoon—Executive Board. Evening—First General Session.

Tuesday, June 27

Morning-Second General Session.

Afternoon—Trustees' Section, Professional Training Section, American Association of Law Libraries and National Association of State Libraries (joint session).

Evening — Catalog Section, Publishing Board, National Association of State Libraries.

Wednesday, June 28

Morning—Agricultural Libraries Section, Special Libraries Association, Council (at 10:30 o'clock).

Afternoon — League of Library Commissions, American Association of Law Libraries, College and Reference Section.

Evening — American Library Institute Board, Special Libraries Association, Children's Librarians Section.

Thursday, June 29

Morning-Third General Session.

Afternoon-Princeton trip.

Evening — National Association of State Libraries and American Association of Law Libraries (joint session), School Librarians Section, Bibliographical Society of America.

Friday, June 30

Morning — Special Libraries Association,
Documents Round Table, Theological
Librarians Round Table, Council.

Afternoon — Catalog Section, Children's Librarians Section, Special Libraries Association, League of Library Commissions; 4:30-6:30, automobile drive.

Evening—Fourth General Session.

Saturday, July 1

Morning—Fifth General Session.

Afternoon—School Libraries Section, Executive Board.

TRAVEL NOTICE

Buy tickets, and check trunks, to Asbury Park, N. J.

Asbury Park is easy to reach from all parts of the country, and reduced round-trip summer excursion rates will be available.

As the hotels which the Association will occupy are nearer to the North Asbury Park station than to Asbury Park proper (these stations are 6/10 of a mile apart), members should alight at North Asbury Park. Tickets reading to Asbury Park are good also to North Asbury. All baggage should be checked to Asbury Park, as conditions for handling it are not adequate at North Asbury Park. Baggage checks will be surrendered to porters on arrival at hotels, so it will be unnecessary to look after one's own baggage at the station.

From New York City an unlimited roundtrip is offered for \$1.75, good either by rail, or by boat and rail (to this 20 cents must be added if trip is made from and to the The routes from Pennsylvania Station). New York City are: (a) Sandy Hook boat (from Pier 10, foot of Cedar street) to Atlantic Highlands, connecting there with train for Asbury Park. (b) Pennsylvania Railroad. (c) Central Railroad of New Jersey. Time by boat about two hours, by train about 1½ hours. Both the boats and the trains leave at frequent intervals throughout the day and evening. Consult time-tables. For further information regarding travel from New York apply to C. H. Brown, of the Travel committee.

From Philadelphia a choice of routes and tickets is offered: (a) Five-day excursion via Monmouth Junction, \$3.00. (b) Sixteenday excursion, same route, \$3.75. (c) Sixteen-day excursion via Elizabethport, \$3.75. (d) Sixteen-day excursion via Seaside Park, \$3.25.

From New England, the North Atlantic States (exclusive of New York City, Philadelphia and surrounding local points which have special rates), and from Southern points (south of Washington, and west to New Orleans) excursion tickets will be on sale—good either for six months, or until October 31st according to locality.

From the Middle West—Chicago, St. Louis, Cincinnati, Detroit, etc.—a thirty-day ticket will be available (also in most of these places a slightly higher priced rate good until October 31st will be made). It should be noted, however, that Cleveland and Columbus, Ohio, are to be reckoned with the North Atlantic States points as they have an all-season ticket available at minimum price.

From Colorado, and from Missouri River points — Omaha, Kansas City, etc. — also from Minneapolis and St. Paul, round-trip tickets will allow a sixty-day limit returning. From Texas excursion tickets will be good until October 31st.

Pacific Coast delegates will buy to New York City, good for return until October 31st, or good for nine months. No rate is made from the coast to Asbury Park.

Prices of excursion tickets from New England and the North Atlantic States are from five to nine per cent less than double the one-way fare. From the Middle West there is a slightly greater saving.

From Southeastern territory, Texas and Colorado, the reduction amounts to about 20 per cent.

Western tickets should be purchased including New York City, as nearly everyone will wish to visit that city.

Special Travel Parties

Chicago Party (including Middle West)

(Send Pullman fare to J. F. Phelan, Public Library, Chicago, before June 10th.)

Arrangements have been completed with the Pennsylvania Railroad for special train service, leaving Chicago, Sunday afternoon, June 25th, at 3:00 o'clock, arriving at Harrisburg at 9:30 Monday morning, leaving Harrisburg at 12:30 o'clock and due to arrive at Asbury Park at 5:05 p. m., Monday, June 26th.

Advanced inquiries and registrations indicate a large attendance from this section and those desiring to travel with the special Chicago party are urged to register as early as possible, in order to secure choice assignments on the train.

The Pennsylvania Railroad is the "last word" in the line of modern equipment, safety, convenience and comfort.

STOP-OVER AT HARRISBURG

A stop-over of three hours will be made at Harrisburg at the invitation of the Pennsylvania Free Public Library Commission. The train will arrive at 9:30 Monday morning and leave at 12:30 p. m. sharp. The Harrisburg librarians will meet the party at the train and take them on a personally conducted trip to the principal points of interest, library and otherwise, in Harrisburg. This is sure to be one of the most enjoyable features of the trip. It is hoped that a number of Harrisburg librarians will join the party there and continue with them the rest of the way to Asbury Park.

RAILROAD RATES

Regular thirty-day, round-trip, summer excursion tickets will be on sale after June 1st from Chicago and points west, and must be validated at destination before returning home.

Tickets are sold via New York at the same fare as Asbury Park, and those desiring to return via the Pennsylvania Lines, through New York, with stop-overs, should purchase tickets reading via that point.

Those desiring to return via Baltimore and Washington should purchase tickets via these points.

Stop-overs will be permitted at any point on the Pennsylvania Lines, within the limit of the ticket, upon application to the conductor.

The following table shows summer excursion rates from principle middle-western points:

Chicago	\$35.00
St. Louis	40.00
Kansas City	51.20
Omaha	59.10
St. Paul	54.00
Des Moines	52.24
Cedar Rapids	45.86
Sioux City	59.54
Milwaukee	
Detroit	
Grand Rapids	31.70

Cincinnati	32.00
Indianapolis	33.00
Cleveland	26.20
Pittsburgh	21.25
Denver	72.85
Louisville	34 00

Railroads running out of Chicago, other than the Pennsylvania and the New York Central, offer rates about \$3.30 less for the round trip, from such points as:

Chicago	 	 \$31.70
St. Louis	 	 37.00
Kansas City	 	 48.20
Omaha	 	 55.80
St. Paul	 	 50.70
Des Moines	 	 48.94
Cedar Rapids	 	 42.56
Sioux City	 	 . 5 6.24
Milwaukee	 	 35.78

PULLMAN RATES

Pullman fares, from Chicago to Asbury Park, are as follows:

Drawing room	. \$18.00
Compartment	
Lower berth	. 5.00
Upper berth	. 4.00

DINING CAR SERVICE

A table d'hôte dinner will be served Sunday evening, costing one dollar, and breakfast and luncheon the following day will be served a la carte.

Address all communications regarding railroad fares and special train out of Chicago to John F. Phelan, Public Library, Chicago.

New England Party

From New England F. W. Faxon will conduct a party, via the Providence Line boat from Providence to New York, and thence by Sandy Hook boat to Atlantic Highlands, only 40 minutes from Asbury Park by rail.

Leave Boston, South Station, probably at 6:06 p. m., Sunday, June 25; Mansfield, 6:46, Attleborough, 6:57, arriving at Providence Line dock in Providence at 7:20. Steamer (probably the "Providence") will sail at 7:30 p. m., due in New York City at 7 a. m., Pier No. 14, foot of Fulton street. Sandy Hook steamer leaves from Pier No. 10, foot of Cedar street (two blocks from Providence Line dock) at 9:15 a. m., due at Atlantic Highlands at 10:28,

where the short train trip will commence, reaching North Asbury Park at about 11:05 a. m., Monday, June 26.

These times are subject to change, as the summer schedules are not yet available. Verify before buying tickets.

The Providence Line to New York is the same class of service as the Fall River Line, and has been chosen as more convenient to the greater number of persons. Staterooms (containing upper berth and double lower berth in each) cost \$2.00 outside and \$1.00 inside, accommodating one or two persons.

Members of the party will buy their own excursion tickets, but will send money for stateroom, or half stateroom if roommate is desired, on the Providence boat, to F. W. Faxon, 83 Francis street, Fenway, Boston, Mass., before June 1.

Tickets reading via boat lines to Asbury Park may be used for return all-rail as far as New York without extra cost, and by rail, New York to Boston, on payment of \$1.25 extra, either at time of purchase or at Grand Central station, New York City. returning.

Each piece of checked baggage will cost 50 cents for New York transfer. transfer cards may be purchased at time of purchase of ticket, and used in checking baggage to destination. Those leaving from Boston and vicinity may purchase tickets at 248 Washington street, or at South Station.

Note: As no special party will be arranged from New York City, owing to the shortness of the trip, any members desiring to join with the New England party on the 9:15 boat will be more than welcome. No registration needed.

Post-conference trip will be omitted this vear.

No personally conducted parties will be planned returning, but the Travel Committee will make reservations for any wishing to return together, and will be glad to give all information required.

Round-trip Rates to Asbury Par	rk	
New York City\$1.75	\$	1.95
Philadelphia (5 days' limit) 3.00	•	
(16 days' limit) 3.75		2 25

Boston (all rail)	$9.75 \\ 10.55$
(There is also a 16-day coach excursion on Pa. R. R., round-trip rate of \$12.00 good leaving only Thursday, June 22d. If Pullman is used rate is \$14.00 plus Pullman fare.)	
Buffalo	19.65
Cleveland	26.20
Detroit	30.50
Grand Rapids	31.70
Indianapolis	33.00
Chicago	35.00
Cincinnati	32.00
Louisville	34.00
St. Louis	40.00
Memphis	43.00
Atlanta	37.55
New Orleans	54.55
Fort Worth	58.75
Denver	72.85

From Middle Western points and Buffalo by traveling over "differential" lines a saving of from \$2 to \$3 on the round trip may be made. This is shown, for example, from three points in table above.

TRAVEL COMMITTEE.

- F. W. FAXON, Chairman.
 - 83 Francis St., Fenway, Boston.
- C. H. BROWN.
- 26 Brevoort Place, Brooklyn, N. Y.
- J. F. PHELAN.
 - Chicago Public Library.

ADVANCE ATTENDANCE REGISTER

There will be printed, as usual, in advance of the Asbury Park Conference, a list of those who are expecting to attend. This list will be compiled from the bookings made with the manager of the New Monterey Hotel, who, as stated elsewhere in this number, will make reservations not only for his hotel, but for all the other hotels as well, which are listed as auxiliaries to the headquarters hotel. those, therefore, who expect to attend the Conference, but who will not make reservation through the above agency, are requested to send name, library position. home address, and Asbury Park address, not later than June 15th to Miss Adeline Pratt, Public Library, Asbury Park, N. J.

HOTELS, MEETING PLACES AND GENERAL INFORMA-TION

Hotels: Headquarters will be at the New Monterey Hotel and Columbia Hotel across the street from each other. Auxiliary hotels providing for probable overflow, three of which offer lower rates than headquarters, and all of which are in close proximity, are the following: The Thedford, The Fenimore, The Sea Breeze and The Brunswick. There are a multitude of hotels in Asbury Those selected for our use are known personally to the local committee and every effort has been made to choose those which will provide satisfactory service and give "value received." The committee have also, of course, selected those which are located in fairly close proximity to the two headquarters hotels.

Rates: The rates per day offered by these hotels, all on the American plan, for week of conference, are as follows:

New Monterey (capacity 600; exclusive use):

Two persons in double room fitted with double bed, hot and cold running water, \$3.50 each.

Same, but with twin beds, \$4.00 each. Two persons in double room with twin beds and private bath, \$4.50 each.

Two rooms with private bath between and occupied by four persons, \$4.00 each.

For a party of six, eight or ten, occupying a suite of rooms all communicating and having access to one private bath, \$4.00 each.

There are forty rooms in hotel large enough to accommodate three or four single beds. Congenial parties of intimate friends can be made up if desired to occupy these.

Columbia (capacity 300; exclusive use); Two in double room, hot and cold running water, \$3.50 and \$4.00 each, according to location of room.

One in single room, hot and cold water, \$4.00.

Two in double room with private bath, \$4.50 each.

Four in two communicating double rooms, with private bath between, \$4.50 each.

Thedford (capacity 120; exclusive use if needed; nearly opposite Columbia):

Two in room, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00 and \$3.50 each, according to size and location of room.

One in room, \$2.50 to \$3.00 each.

Fenimore (capacity 250, can accommodate 150 A. L. A. members; five and one-half blocks from New Monterey):

Two in double room without private bath, \$2.50 and \$3.00 each.

One in room, \$2.50 and upwards, according to location and size of room.

Two in double room, twin beds, private bath, \$3.50 each.

Sea Breeze (can accommodate 75 A. L. A. members; diagonally opposite New Monterey and across street from Columbia; unobstructed view of ocean):

One in room, \$2.50 each, or \$15 per week.

Two in room, \$2.25 each, or \$14.00 per week.

No rooms with private bath.

Brunswick (can accommodate 150 A. L. A. members; three blocks from New Monterey; near the ocean):

Two in room without private bath, \$3.50 and \$4.00 each.

One in room without private bath, \$4.00.

Two in room with private bath, \$4.50 each.

One in room with private bath, \$5.00.

Hotel Reservations: Reservation for rooms at ALL the above-named hotels will be in charge of Sherman O. Dennis, manager New Monterey Hotel, Asbury Park, N. J., and applications should be addressed directly to him. Bookings for rooms will be made on and after May 15, and in order that all may have an equal opportunity the ruling has been made, as on previous simi-

lar occasions, that applications made for rooms in advance of May 15 will be considered as having been received on that date

Members of the local committee on arrangements will be in Asbury Park the greater part of the time bookings are being made, and will advise and coöperate with Mr. Dennis in this work. The New Monterey has a New York office at 8 West Fortieth street, where the manager or his representative will be pleased to meet any wishing to confer personally with him.

Those wishing to room together, or having preference as to roommate should so state when applying for reservation. State clearly and definitely name of hotel desired, and price you wish to pay. If full name is not signed, letter should state whether the writer is a man or a woman.

Arrangements can be made, if desired, for a library to engage one or more rooms to be occupied successively for portions of the week by various members of the staff.

The New Monterey has a small number of single rooms regarding which information can be had from the manager, but in order that as many as possible may be quartered at this hotel it will be necessary in most cases to assign two persons to a room. Twin beds can be provided in nearly all cases when requested.

There are in addition to the hotels scores of very comfortable boarding houses. Information regarding some of these may be had from Miss Josephine Porter or Miss Adeline Pratt, members of local committee and librarian and assistant librarian respectively of the Asbury Park Public Library.

Meetings: General sessions will be held in Auditorium in open square just across street from the New Monterey. Meetings of sections and affiliated societies will be held in parlors of New Monterey and Columbia, and some of the larger section meetings in the Auditorium. The librarian and trustees of the Asbury Park Public Library have very kindly placed at our disposal the auditorium in the library, and the offer will be gratefully accepted if it

is necessary to hold meetings outside the zone of the headquarters hotels.

Entertainment and Amusement: On Monday evening after the program a reception will be given to the Association by the New Jersey Public Library Commission and the New Jersey Library Association.

Thursday afternoon will be devoted to a trip by special train to Princeton, where we will be the guests of the University and of M. Taylor Pyne, chairman of the New Jersey Public Library Commission.

Friday afternoon after the program a two hours' automobile drive up the coast will be given by the Asbury Park Chamber of Commerce.

The Chamber of Commerce has arranged to have autos meet our members at the railroad station on arrival and conduct them to their respective hotels.

As a result of special effort on the part of Mayor Hetrick and the Chamber of Commerce and other prominent citizens Pryor's Band will begin its engagement a week earlier than originally contracted for, expressly that it may be at Asbury Park the week of our conference. All music-loying members of the Association will keenly appreciate this very signal courtesy.

The hotel orchestra will play every evening for informal dancing.

There are excellent tennis courts close by the New Monterey, canoeing and boating in Deal Lake, three or four minutes' walk distant, and bath houses close to the hotels.

The Deal Golf Club has kindly offered to take care of those who are devotees of that sport. Those wishing the use of the courses should present credentials from their home clubs.

The local committee will compile a booklet on "What to do at Asbury Park," which will be distributed at headquarters.

The local committee will operate an information desk at headquarters, at which some member will be present at certain announced hours daily to answer questions, assist in making up parties to go to places of interest, etc.

Miscellaneous: There will be plenty of space in New Monterey Hotel for exhibits by publishers, book-sellers and others who handle commodities of interest to librarians. For space and rates application should be made direct to Mr. Dennis, manager of the New Monterey.

Banks at Asbury Park have signified their willingness to cash personal checks for members of the Association who identify themselves by their membership badge.

LIBRARY SCHOOL DINNERS

Those in charge of library school dinners or reunions will please write to the secretary of the A. L. A., who will be glad to help in arranging time and place. There will be ample facilities provided at the New Monterey Hotel for groups who wish to lunch or dine together either in the main dining room or in private dining rooms.

EXHIBIT OF LIBRARY LABOR-SAVING DEVICES

The Committee on Library Administration announces with regret that the plans for the exhibit of labor-saving devices and library equipment which it was hoped to make an important feature of the Asbury Park conference have been abandoned. All possible efforts have been made to arrange for an exhibit which should be fully as successful and profitable as the Washington exhibit of 1914. The undertaking has been abandoned only after the most careful consideration, and after it had become apparent that if such an exhibit were held this year it could hardly attain the high measure of success desired for it.

The chief obstacle encountered has been the difficulty experienced by so many manufacturers in getting raw materials for the manufacture of their products. Because of this difficulty a considerable number of important manufacturers are finding it hard to manufacture their products sufficiently fast to meet the demand, and therefore came to the conclusion that it would be unwise for them to participate in an exhibit at Asbury Park. A number of manufacturers also considered the meeting place

at Asbury Park less desirable from their standpoint, for such an exhibit, than a meeting place in a large city where they have their agencies and would not be under the expense of sending machines and representatives to a resort, where there would be no business of any kind done during the week excepting the business of demonstrating at the exhibit.

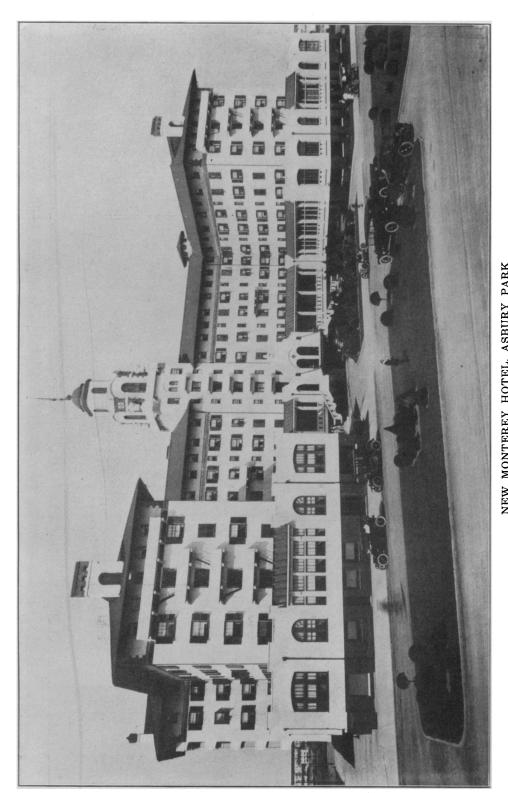
Tentative arrangements had already been made with a number of manufacturers, but so many important firms would have been absent from the exhibit that it would have been impossible to fill their places satisfactorily with other firms. The Committee is unwilling to carry out the plans for the exhibit if the undertaking could be made only partially successful. It therefore seemed that the interests of the manufacturers and of the librarians would be best conserved by abandoning the undertaking, and postponing it until a more favorable year.

LIBRARIANS VISITING NEW YORK

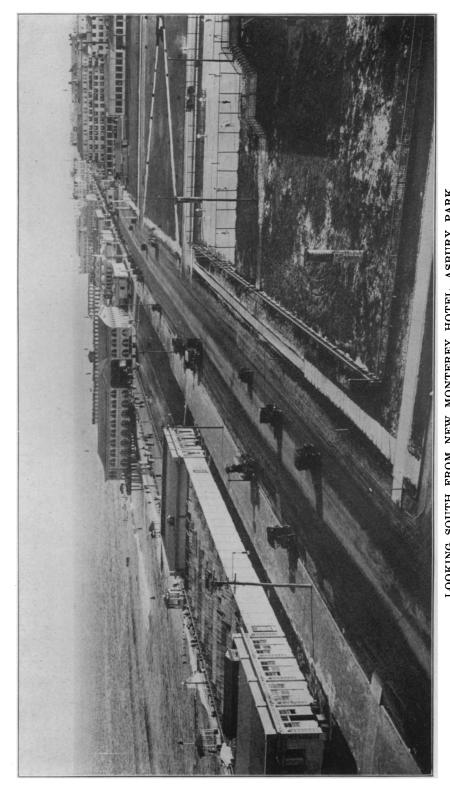
Many members of the A. L. A. will doubtless go to New York after the Asbury Park Conference, either to attend the N. E. A. meetings, or for other purposes. The New York Library Club is desirous of knowing the names of all such visiting librarians, and they are requested to send their names and addresses at an early date to the president of the club, Mr. F. W. Jenkins, Russell Sage Foundation Library, 130 East 22d street, New York. This will enable the local committee to make plans for their entertainment.

THE 1917 CONFERENCE

It may seem a bit early to be planning for the 1917 conference, but it is not too early. When the Executive Board had under consideration the place of meeting for 1916 there was full recognition of the claims of the middle west, inasmuch as the conference had not been held in that section since 1910. But no place which seemed satisfactory to a majority, even of the middle west members, could at that time be found, and Asbury Park was se-



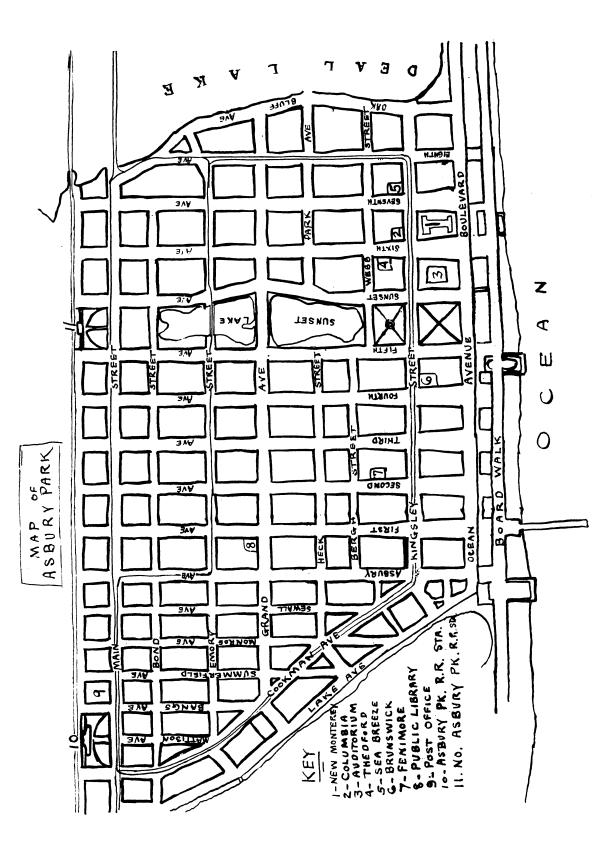
NEW MONTEREY HOTEL, ASBURY PARK A. L. A. Headquarters for 1916 Conference



LOOKING SOUTH FROM NEW MONTEREY HOTEL, ASBURY PARK Steps to Auditorium, where General Sessions will be held, at the right. Tennis courts in foreground will be reserved for our use.



THE BOARD WALK AT ASBURY PARK
The New Monterey Hotel, A. L. A. Headquarters, in the distance



lected. In voting for this place, however, the Board coupled with it the recommendation "that the secretary and officers of the Association make every effort to find a suitable meeting place in the middle west for 1917." And it is not too early to begin to make this effort. The secretary and other officers and members of the Executive Board will warmly welcome suggestions of places which seem worthy of consideration. Write them to the secretary or bring them to Asbury Park with you.

SHAKESPEARE TERCENTENARY AND THE SHAKESPEARE HEAD PRESS

The secretary of the A. L. A. has just received a letter, under date of April 12, from Mr. Frank Pacy, acting honorary secretary of the Library Association, of Great Britain, stating that the Council of that Association are deeply interested in obtaining a successful response to an enclosed appeal, which had been published in "The Spectator" of March 11. The appeal is for the adequate support of the Shakespeare Head Press, which has been so admirably conducted for the past twelve years by Mr. A. H. Bullen. American librarians will most assuredly share in the concern for this worthy enterprise, and so we reprint part of "The Spectator" article herewith. The appeal as there printed is signed by some twenty-eight notable scholars, churchmen and statesmen.

"We are reluctant to add to the multitude of public appeals, but we feel ourselves justified in urging that a modest sum may be found for an excellent puras a side-effect of the war, the Shakespose. It would be sad for many of us if, peare Head Press at Stratford-upon-Avon should be broken up and the devoted work terminated of its founder, Mr. A. H. Bullen. When about £10,000, or three minutes' cost of the war, will save an undertaking which is an honour to English literature and English typography, to Shakespeare's country and Caxton's country, we strongly hope that the amount named will be provided by the generosity of a single donor

or by wider subscription. The former way would be the better, and, now that the Shakespeare Tercentenary approaches, we need not point out that the name of a single donor would be fitly perpetuated in Stratford-upon-Avon. That is indeed a distinction to which any man or woman might aspire.

'On Mr. Bullen's behalf few words are needed. It is more than a quarter of a since his publication of rare century Elizabethan works began to delight and instruct us. He set up his press at Stratford in no ordinary spirit, but as scholar and printer. He has been in some sense a Caxton of our day. Taking as his text Thomas Fuller's saying that 'Learning hath gained most by those books by which the printers have lost,' he has brought out in distinguished form volumes that would not otherwise have seen the light. Among such things are Gabriel Harvey's 'Marginalia' and Mr. W. J. Lawrence's 'The Elizabethan Playhouse,' representing years of research. The 'Stratford Town Shakespeare,' in ten stately volumes, is for beauty and dignity unique among editions and ennobles any library, private or public, in which it may be found. In all these labours there has been more love than profit; but England has been the gainer.

"There is still much to do that ought to be done. Valuable material lies now almost inaccessible in unprinted MSS. Many of our older writers need to be edited or re-edited. If Mr. Bullen could realize his dream of following his great Stratford Shakespeare by editions of all the Elizabethan dramatists, he would accomplish that which of all things perhaps is most desired by true lovers of books throughout the English-speaking world.

"Mr. Bullen hoped to establish a continuing press for the benefit, now and hereafter, of Shakespearean scholars, British and American, who could not look to have their work published on ordinary commercial terms. He especially wishes to train a younger man to carry on the work eventually. We need not say that all the conditions of sound management for the purposes in view would be served by a properly constituted trust."

Checques may be sent payable to Lloyds Bank, Ld., 16 St. James' street, London, S. W., for account Shakespeare Head Press (Sir Edward Brabrook, Hon. Treasurer).